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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/660,635

Applicants: Takumi AKATSUKA, et al.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MEASURING
SHAPE OF TUBULAR BODY

Group Art Unit: 2856

Examiner: TO BE ASSIGNED

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SIR:

In response to the Notice of Omitted Item(s) in a Nonprovisional Application dated August 3, 2004 in the above-identified application, Applicants respectfully submit that the references made to Figures 9 and 16 in the paragraphs [0037] and [0047] of the specification are typographical errors that should have read "Figs. 9A, 9B and 9C" and "Figs. 16A, 16B and 16C" respectively. Accordingly, no figures were omitted from the application as filed.

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Reply to Office Action of August 3, 2004
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A Preliminary Amendment requesting correction of the typographical errors in the specification is filed herewith. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the above-identified application is in condition for examination, and an examination on the merits is hereby requested.

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